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1. KOREAN LAW ON MARIHUANA WAS TRANSMITTED TO DEPARTMENT BY
SEOUL A178. AS DEPARTMENT AWARE, LAW IS QUITE COMPLEX BUT
BASICALLY BOTH TRAFFICKERS AND USERS IF CONVICTED ARE SUBJECT TO
PRISON TERMS OF SEVEN TO TEN YEARS AT HARD LABOR.

2. THE LAW BECAME EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 1977 AND POLICE
HAVE ARRESTED A NUMBER OF PEOPLE FOR VIOLATION. HOWEVER, THE
COURTS HAVE NOT YET HEARD CASES UNDER THE NEW LAW AND SO WE
DO NOT KNOW HOW STRICTLY ITS PROVISIONS WILL BE ENFORCED.
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